

**SEC. 7. When to take effect.** This act shall take effect from and after the first day of February next, and shall forthwith be published in the Iowa Capital Reporter and the Iowa Standard, published at Iowa City.

Approved, January 22, 1848.

Published in the Reporter and the Standard, February second, eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

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[16] CHAPTER 11.

LAKE PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP.

AN ACT to organize the township of Lake Prairie in the county of Marion.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,*

**SECTION 1. Lake prairie township organized.** That township seventy-six and seventy-seven, of range eighteen, west of the fifth principal meridian, in the county of Marion, be and the same are hereby set off and organized into a separate township by the name of Lake Prairie.

**SEC. 2. Township election.** The first township election therein shall be held at the house of H. P. Scholt, in said township on the first Monday in April next, at which time and place the white male inhabitants of said township, above the age of twenty-one years, shall elect two justices of the peace, two constables, and such other township officers as are required by the act for the organization of townships, approved, February 17th, 1842, and such school officers as are required by law to be elected at the township elections.

**SEC. 3. Powers and duties of officers.** The powers, duties and manner of qualification of such justices of the peace and other officers, shall be such as are provided by the general laws of this state.

**SEC. 4. When to take effect.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa City Standard and Iowa Capital Reporter, published at Iowa City.

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CHAPTER 12.

PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTING LAWS.

AN ACT in relation to the printing and distribution of the laws of this state.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,*

**SECTION 1. Secretary to superintend.** That the Secretary of State, or the person exercising that office, be authorized and required to superintend the printing and distribution of all laws and joint resolutions passed by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, at any regular or called session.

**SEC. 2. When to take effect.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its [17] publication in the Iowa Capital Reporter and Iowa Standard, published in Iowa City.

Approved, January 22, 1848.

Published in the Reporter and in the Standard, February ninth eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

## CHAPTER 13.

### CITY OF BURLINGTON.

AN ACT to amend the charter of the city of Burlington.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,*

**SECTION 1. Mayor to be a justice.** That the mayor of the City of Burlington shall be ex officio a justice of the peace to all intents and purposes, with jurisdiction limited to the City of Burlington, in the same manner as that of other justices is limited to their respective townships.

**SEC. 2. When not disqualified.** He shall not be disqualified from trying any cause for the reason that it is brought in the name or behalf, or under the ordinances of said city.

**SEC. 3. New streets, etc.** The mayor and aldermen of said city shall have power to change the streets, to discontinue old streets, or to lay out new ones therein, whenever the public good may require the same; but whenever, for these purposes, private property shall be taken for public use, full compensation shall be made to the owners thereof, without setting off against such compensation the enhancement in value of the adjacent property.

**SEC. 4. Streets discontinued.** Whenever any portion of a street shall be discontinued, the mayor and aldermen may dispose of the same for the benefit of the city.

**SEC. 5. Accretions to said city.** They shall also have power to sell all the accretions in front of said city, after a majority of the votes given on that subject, at any city election, shall have been given in favor of such sale.

**SEC. 6. Suits, how brought.** All suits and prosecutions on city ordinances shall be brought in the corporate name of the city; but the process shall run in the name of the state, as provided by the constitution.

**SEC. 7. Streets and alleys, how changed.** No street or alley shall be changed, altered, or vacated, or new ones laid out, until [the consent of] a majority of the property owners on the block adjoining to said street, or through which said alley passes, shall be given in writing to that effect.

**SEC. 8. When to take effect.** This act shall take effect from and after its publication, by [18] one insertion in each of the newspapers printed in the City of Burlington.

Approved, January 22, 1848.

## CHAPTER 14.

### TOWN OF PORTLAND.

AN ACT to authorize and empower the board of commissioners of the county of Van Buren, to sell and convey lots in the town of Portland, in said county.

**Preamble.** Whereas, The board of county commissioners of the county of Van Buren having in conformity to the provisions of an act of congress approved, May 23rd, 1844, entitled "An act for the relief of the citizens of